

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior listings of claims in the application.

Listing of claims:

1. (Cancelled)
2. (Currently amended) A sealed closure [[(2)]] as claimed in claim [[1]] 20, wherein the leg is ~~mounted on~~ connected to the peninsula [[(50)]] at a periphery of the removable part [[(10)]].
3. (Cancelled)
4. (Cancelled)
5. (Currently amended) A sealed closure [[(2)]] as claimed in claim [[1]] 20, wherein a cutting tooth [[(58)]] is provided on an underside of the spout [[(4)]] adjacent each side of the peninsula [[(50)]].
6. (Cancelled)
7. (Cancelled)
8. (Cancelled)
9. (Currently amended) A sealed closure [[(2)]] as claimed in claim [[8]] 20, wherein the slit [[(70)]] extends from [[an]] the edge of the removable part [[(10)]] passing close to and beyond ~~the centre~~ a center of the removable part.
10. (Currently amended) A sealed closure [[(2)]] as claimed in claim [[8]] 20, wherein the slit [[(70)]] is straight.
11. (Currently amended) A sealed closure [[(2)]] as claimed in claim [[1]] 20, wherein ~~means creating a~~ the seal is a foil [[(8)]].

12. (Currently amended) A sealed closure [[(2)]] as claimed in claim 11, wherein the foil [[(8)]] is welded to a container closed by the closure.
13. (Currently amended) A sealed closure [[(2)]] as claimed in claim 11, wherein the removable part is a plate having a raised land [[(34)]] to which the foil [[(8)]] is attached.
14. (Currently amended) A sealed closure [[(2)]] as claimed in claim 11, wherein the foil [[(8)]] is a multi-layer foil that is weldable on both sides.
15. (Currently amended) A closure [[(2)]] comprising a spout [[(4)]] defining an opening, a plastic[[s]] removable part [[(10)]] disposed over the opening and connected to the spout [[(4)]] by means of a frangible region [[(30)]] at an edge of the removable part, the removable part having a corner-shaped peninsula defined by a slit extending into the removable part from the edge of the removable part, a foil [[(8)]] attached to the plastic[[s]] removable part [[(10)]] at an enlarged portion of a land beneath the peninsula and to the spout [[(4)]] to form a seal across the opening, and a device mounted on the peninsula spout (4) for applying a force to [[a]] the peninsula at the periphery of the removable part [[(10)]].
16. (Original) A closure as claimed in claim 15, wherein the force-applying device is a nib.
17. (Currently amended) A closure as claimed in claim 15 [[with]] further comprising an overcap that engages with the spout by threads, snap fits onto the spout or is adapted to screw to a neck of a bottle to which the closure is fitted.
18. (Currently amended) A container comprising a container body and a closure [[(2)]] as claimed in claim 15, wherein the body is secured to the closure by means of the foil [[(8)]].
19. (Original) A container as claimed in claim 18, wherein the container is made of a material selected from plastics laminate, combined with another material, such as steel or paperboard; PET; or polypropylene.

20. (New) A sealed closure comprising:

- a spout defining an opening;
- a removable plastic part disposed over the opening and connected to the spout by a frangible region, the removable part including a peninsula formed between the frangible region and a slit that divides the removable part and extends into the removable part from an edge of the removable part;
- a tearable seal disposed across the opening and attached to the peninsula;
- a pull ring; and
- a leg connecting the pull ring to the peninsula;

wherein the seal is torn when a force applied to the pull ring is concentrated onto the peninsula.

21. (New) A sealed closure as claimed in claim 20, wherein the slit partially divides the removable part.